

POLITICS RUN RIOT AMONG V. M. C. A. BOYS

Approach of Their Election
Stirs Party Leaders to
Greater Activity.

CONFERENCES HELD AND PLANS MADE

Three More Rallies to Be Held
Before Votes Are Cast in
October.

The delights of the gymnasium are forgotten these days, and the swirl of the water in the swimming pool has lost its siren tone for the younger element at the Y. M. C. A. The political campaign on its hands, and anybody ought to know that at such a crisis no time is to be lost idling it away in play.

Every corner of the boys' building has been converted into conference rooms, and if you are not interested in the campaign, there is no place for you within the four big walls. You simply have to be a politician to hold your place in the esteem of the younger membership, and once you are caught within the swirling sea of political argument, there is nothing left but to bend your energies toward the success of your party.

Like the Game.
At least, that is what the youngsters think about it, and just now there are several hundred boys going through the process of being made into politicians, and it's the best game they've played yet.

"Where's Willie?" asked Leonard Paulson, associate director of an assembled meeting of Democrats today. Mr. Paulson was on a series of visits about political "headquarters" of both parties, and was engaged in the pleasant pastime of lining up the "men."

"Willie who?" inquired one of the "democratic orators," pausing long enough from a sweeping argument in favor of guaranteeing bank deposits to observe the presence of the director.

"Willie Covell, of the Central High School," replied Paulson.

"Oh," came the reply, "Willie wouldn't come with us. He went away with his crowd, and is organizing a party of his own."

"What is he going to call it?" asked Paulson.

Scores Old Parties.
"The Independent, of course," came a chorus of observant youths, and Paulson hurried out of the "convention" to investigate the revolt. He found it in a distant room, and as he reached the gathering of about thirty boys, Paulson heard Chairman Willie say: "These old parties are not to be trusted. They are owned, dominated, and directed by the soulless trusts that have been fattening upon you and me, and are keeping the wealth out of our children's pockets that ought to be there."

"Whew," ejaculated Paulson, as he tipped from the place; "that boy has been reading the papers. He seems to be the whole show."

There is nothing slow about the campaign being waged in Washington, and just to show the larger political parties that the recently organized conventions have no intention of following the lead of their seniors in politics, an election will be held October 1.

"There's nothing to it nothing to it," said a young "Republican" yesterday afternoon following a conference.

Why, the Republican party is going to wipe the Democrats off the map. The Democrats haven't got a leg to stand on.

A. M. Chesley, director, and Leonard Paulson, associate director, who hit on the plan of organizing the boys into rival political parties, had little difficulty in starting the ball rolling. Political scintillations from every crack and corner of the building.

"You are in here," a rosy-faced cheer, snipped at a freckle-faced boy today, when the latter was vain to get into a room where a meeting was being held. "We are having an executive session."

"Well, I'm going to get in, jes' the same," announced the boy with the freckle face.

"No, you're not," the doorkeeper rejoined. "You go on over to your own party. We're Republicans in here."

"I'm going to be a Republican."

"Well, you were a Democrat a little while ago, and you'd better see your party leaders before you come over to us."

"The Democrats are no good," said the freckles.

"We know that all right," said the rosy face as the opening of the door grew more narrow, "but you better go over and tell those fellows about it. You can't come in here, and the door closed as the little freckle-faced youngster went to see Willie and his independent party."

Rallies to Be Held.
Three more "rallies" are to be held. On the evening of October 2 Prof. George E. Meyer, of the Technical High School, will speak to the boys on the "Principles of Self-government," on the following Friday night, Dr. V. S. Small, of the Eastern High School, will explain the method of adopting party platforms and the nomination of national candidates, and on October 16, A. C. Davis, head of the Business High School, will explain "Practical Political Problems of the Day," which will elucidate the various issues of the present campaign. On the night of October 23 will come a triangular debate between chosen speakers from the three different political "parties," and on the following afternoon the "election" will occur.

Under the terms of the "campaign," a boy to qualify for the elective franchise must attend at least three of the five rallies. His registration receipt is in the form of a little ticket which must bear three punches to prove his

Office Boys to Be Reformed In New School, Just as Easy

All They Have to Do to Become Senators Is to Attend
Classes at Night, as They Hate to Stay
Out on Street.

NEW YORK, Sept. 30.—Any office boy who wants to cut out being a grimy faced, dime novel reading, baseball crazy office boy and become a nice, employer loving, Sunday school going office boy has his chance in a new school which the Children's Aid Society is going to set up soon.

Thus the high road to bank presidencies and the United States Senate is to become as plain as the road to market to any serious minded lad who cares to go and sit on a bench in the new school. The class is to be established in the Sixth Industrial School, beginning next week, and is to run for a season of twenty-one weeks.

The classes are to be conducted in the evening, which ought to make the attendance heavy, owing to the well-known disinclination of all healthy boys to stay out on the streets at night. All

CHILD LABOR CASES COME UP TOMORROW

Two Important Decisions
Will Be Rendered by
Judge DeLacy.

Two decisions, affecting the enforcement of the new child labor law of the District, will be rendered by Judge DeLacy in the Juvenile Court tomorrow afternoon.

One case is that of Anton Ostermann, sr., who conducts a butcher's stand in the O street and Riggs markets, and who is charged with having permitted two of his sons, both under the minimum age of fourteen years, to work in violation of the child labor law, which was passed at the last session of Congress.

As to Route Boys.
The other case is the arguing of the right of newspaper companies, or their route agents, to employ newsboys under fourteen years of age to deliver newspapers before 6 o'clock in the morning.

Lynn L. Rieder, a route agent, was the defendant in this case, which was tried at Juvenile Court, his attorney being Wilton J. Lambert, while the prosecuting attorney was Frederick H. Stevens, Assistant Corporation Counsel.

In the hearing of the case of Mr. Ostermann, in the Juvenile Court, A. B. Duval represented the prosecution, while James A. Toomey was counsel for the defense. Inspector Saunders, a child labor inspector of the District, testified that he had found the two Ostermann boys, clad in butcher's aprons, standing behind their father's stands, presumably in the employment of their father and working in the capacities of clerks, on September 12 last.

Rather Work Than Play.
Mr. Ostermann and both of his sons testified in his behalf, and all of them denied that the work performed is compulsory or that the boys receive any remuneration for their services. Unlike other boys, these two testified that they would rather work than play, and attended school regularly, only working on Saturdays. One of these sons, Anton Ostermann, jr., is thirteen years old, and the other, William Ostermann, is eleven years old. They reside at 4900 Brightwood avenue.

In the hearing of the other case, the one against Mr. Rieder, his counsel, Mr. Lambert, assailed the constitutionality of the child labor law on the ground of class legislation. Mr. Stevens, in answer to the questionable classification of newspapers as merchandise, according to the letter of the law, defended this classification and cited numerous precedents.

attendance. Regular booths, judges, and all other officers, will be features of the election, and every office is to be performed by some specially appointed representative of the contending parties. The names of the presidential electors, who are also to be chosen from among the members of the parties, will be printed on sample ballots and the magical "X" of every American citizen will be duly registered as the voter may deem best.

Details Not Complete.
Much of the detail of the "campaign" remains to be settled, and a "conference" will be held this afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. boys' department, where Chairman Covell, Hale, and Zappone will discuss with Director Paulson their ideas of the manner of handling the miniature "political" struggle. Commissioner MacFarland will preside at the debate, which will probably be held in the gymnasium, but the question of judges has not been determined and if the "party leaders" feel that a decision should be given on this important detail of the campaign, they will probably not be backward about informing the directors. It is probable, however, that the boys may decide to follow the present American political system and allow the decision to be given at the polls.

DOUBLE SUPPORT.
Sir Gavin Duffy, formerly speaker of the legislative assembly of Victoria, Australia, was once returned to his seat by a single vote majority. On visiting his constituents subsequently, he was received with a special warmth by an old fellow countryman. "And so," said Sir Gavin Duffy to his friends, "you were one of my supporters?" "No, sir," was the reply. "I was two of them."—Exchange.

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any youngster has to do in order to become a jewel of an office boy is to manipulate at the school and then spend twenty-one weeks in serious, sober-minded study.

"The first thing a boy will be taught in this class," says Supt. Louis F. Downer, "is to do just what he is told. Then we shall give him instruction in copying letters, doing up parcels, answering telephone calls and managing a telephone switchboard and keeping stamp and cash accounts."

"We shall give a course in the geography of New York city, including elevated surface, subway, and ferry routes and the location of important public and business buildings. Our boys will also be taught how to make a bank deposit, how to consult time tables and directories. In short, we hope to save employers a good deal of the mental anguish of 'breaking in' these very important but frequently very trouble-some youngsters."

TREASURY BUSINESS SHOWS BIG GROWTH

Auditor Settles 28,481 Ac-
counts, Totaling Huge Sum
of \$6,402,823,243.24.

The best proof that the business of the Treasury Department is growing all the time is shown in the annual report of the Auditor for the Treasury just submitted to Secretary Cortelyou.

The total accounts received by the auditor for settlement for the fiscal year of 1908 numbered 28,481. Unsettled accounts on hand at the beginning of this fiscal year numbered 1,577. The amount of money represented in the settlement of the accounts reached the enormous sum of \$6,402,823,243.24. This does not mean that the actual money received and paid out by Uncle Sam reached six billion for the receipts and expenditures were not much more than one billion. It means that the transfer of accounts from the several bureaus, the work involved in the settlement of accounts footed up to more than six billion dollars.

The following extract from the auditor's report will give an insight into the work done by the auditor's office, together with a general reminder that the business of Uncle Sam is constantly growing:

"The accounts settled in this office during the last eleven years have aggregated \$5,012,194,909.46. The figures represent the business of the department since March 1, 1897, with the exception of transactions relating to postal revenues."

"At first glance this vast sum seems wholly incredible, in view of the fact that the combined receipts and expenditures relating to the general fund of the Treasury amounted to only \$1,124,816,054.95 for that period."

"A brief explanation, however, will readily disclose the correctness of the statement. The receipts from customs and internal revenue, for instance, are credited first to the Treasury, and then to the accounts of collectors and surveyors, then in the accounts of the Treasurer of the United States, and are afterward in the accounts of disbursing officers and other agencies."

"The Treasurer renders to this office quarterly accounts containing the accountable and settlement warrants issued upon the general fund for the payment of expenditures in the different departments and other branches of the public service. Thus, a given sum will be multiplied in our final report by the number of officers through whose hands it may pass from the one who first collects it from the public in the payment of taxes or other obligations to the one who finally pays it back from the Government into the general circulation. A similar process appears in connection with the printing and distribution of internal revenue stamps."

CUSTOMARY PLACE.
A well-known English bishop some time since lost his third wife. A clergyman who had known the first wife returned from Africa and wanted to see the grave. He called at the cathedral and saw the verger.

"Can you tell me where the bishop's wife is buried?"

"Well, sir," replied the verger, "I don't know for certain, but he mostly buries 'em at Brompton."—Detroit Tribune.

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SCORES "KICKERS" ON PANAMA CANAL

Employe of Government
Gives Much Praise to
Uncle Sam.

The following letter was made public at the White House this afternoon, merely as an indication that conditions are not so bad, after all, on the isthmus. The President's deep interest in all matters concerning the canal probably accounts for the issuance of the letter from this source. It follows:

Northern Central Railroad Young Men's Christian Association.
Elmira, N. Y., September 24, 1908.
Frank W. Ober, Ed. Asso. Men, New York City.

My Dear Sir: Following is what an Elmira man, now employed as carpenter in Panama, writes home to a friend: "I did not know until I came here what a grand and noble Government was that of the good old U. S. A. I can't say a man kick when the Government furnishes the hospital and equipment free and then pays a man for his time while sick."

"Can a man kick when the Government pays about \$5,000 into a Y. M. C. A. building and equipments and makes the secretary's salary and makes it a sum of an ordinary Y. M. C. A. fee? No; I do not see any chance for a man to kick, and when I hear one kick (and you will always find a kick in every bunch) I just let him down as a complete crank. There are four of these buildings on the zone, at \$35,000 each. That is just the way the Government is doing everything for the comfort, pleasure, and convenience of employees. It's good enough for me."

"Use this or a part of it if you think it is worth while."

Very truly yours,
"F. G. SMITH, Secretary."

AMAZONS.
F. D. Grant, at a dinner party in New York, said humorously of the emancipation of woman:

"Suppose, though, women should have to go to war? I don't think they would make very good soldiers. For one thing, they would never grow old enough to be placed on the retired list."

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LUNDY IN TROUBLE WITH SWEETHEART

Negro Shot by Representa-
tive Hefflin Is Sent to
Workhouse.

Lewis Lundy just can't keep out of trouble.

He's in it again, and, for the next two months, he will be able to greet the dawn from a window in the workhouse and bid adieu to the last ray of light from the same quarters.

Lewis was sent down for sixty days today by Judge Kimball for assaulting Josephine Gillam, whom he is alleged to have struck in the face a half a dozen times or more, with the result that Miss Josephine is not feeling good this morning.

Lundy, who is a negro, came into national prominence last spring, when he was shot by Representative Hefflin for creating a disturbance on a street car.

Yesterday afternoon Lundy, who is said to have been under the influence of liquor, got into an altercation with Josephine Gillam, who lives in the same house. Lewis and Miss Josephine were supposed to be smitten with each other, but nobody ever thought the smite would be material enough to change Miss Josephine's facial expression; but Lewis became excited, and it is said, struck his sweetheart five or six times in the face. When Policeman Wilson arrived shortly afterward Lewis was marched off to the police station, and this morning renewed acquaintance with Judge Kimball.

Lundy was given three months some time ago for striking an old woman, Mrs. Hickman.

HARVARD PRIMED.
BOSTON, Mass., Sept. 30.—Harvard will play her first football game at the Stadium this afternoon with the strong eleven of Bowdoin. The Maine men are so well developed for thus early in the season that the Crimson coaches will be satisfied with twelve points.

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